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SUBJ: MAAG REORGANIZATION

SUMMARY: MAAG/E HAS PROPOSED REORGANIZATION OF ITS OFFICES
TO INCLUDE REDUCTION IN PERSONNEL AND A PHYSICAL MOVE FROM
PRESENT QUARTERS ONTO EMBASSY COMPOUND, WITH TARGET DATE
FOR OCCUPANCY SET AT SEPT. 15, 1977. DEPT'S CONCURRENCE
AND/OR COMMENTS, BASED ON DETAILS GIVEN BELOW, WOULD BE
APPRECIATED. END SUMMARY.

1. MAAG/E HAS PROPOSED TO USCINCEUR REDUCING ITS IN-COUNTRY STAFF BY

BETTER THAN 50 PERCENT, BASED IN PART ON ABILITY TO LOCATE THE
RESIDUAL ORGANIZATION ON THE EMBASSY COMPOUND. INTER ALIA,
SUCH A REDUCTION WOULD MAKE THEIR PRESENT QUARTERS BOTH
UNNECESSARY, UNMANAGEABLE AND LESS SECURE. EMBASSY CAN
ACCOMMODATE THEIR OFFICES ON COMPOUND DUE TO RELOCATION OF
REGIONAL SECURITY AND REGIONAL MARINE OFFICES TO
NAIROBI LAST YEAR. MAAG/E, TO BE RENAMED DEFENSE LIAISON
ORGANIZATION (DLO), WOULD CONTINUE TO BE RESPONSIBLE
FOR ALL PHASES OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS,
BUT WOULD LOOK TO THE EMBASSY FOR ADMINISTRATIVE
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SUPPORT OF ITS PERSONNEL AND OFFICES BASED ON TRANSFER
OF APPROXIMATELY TEN FSL POSITIONS (OUT OF 23 TO BE
RIF'D) TO STATE PAYROLL. WE PLAN TO LOOK TO DOD/W
FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR THESE POSITIONS IN FY-78.
UNTIL REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURES ARE FINALIZED, MAAG
HAS PROPOSED THAT THESE SPACES REMAIN ON THEIR MANNING
AUTHORIZATION.

2. WE HAVE HAD PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS WITH MAAG PERSONNEL ON ENTIRE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS AND SEE NO INSURMOUNTABLE OBSTACLES. COMBINED VEHICLE MAINTENANCE WILL MOVE TO PRESENT MAAG GARAGE, AND WAREHOUSE FACILITIES WILL BE COMBINED. APO FACILITIES WOULD BE MOVED TO COMPOUND. MAC, PX AND COMMISSARY OPERATIONS WOULD REMAIN IN PRESENT LOCATIONS. IS THERE ANYTHING WHICH PROHIBITS APO FACILITY BEING LOCATED ON FBO PROPERTY?

3. CONCERNING PHYSICAL RELOCATION COSTS, WE PROPOSE MAAG/E FUND THESE DIRECTLY THRU SEPT 30, WITH EMBASSY SUPPORT COSTS FROM THEN ON TO BE INCLUDED IN FY78 FAAS SCHEDULES. DUE TO NECESSITY FOR GATHERING FAAS WORKLOAD STATISTICS QUICKLY FOR APRIL WORKSHOP AND GENERAL UNCERTAINTY OF MOVE AT THIS STAGE, WE WOULD PROPOSE ENTIRE PROJECT BE SUBJECT OF INCREASE/DECREASE STATEMENT NO. 1 AT APPROPRIATE TIME.

4. WE AND MAAG WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S CONCURRENCE-COMMENTS BY MARCH 15 IN ORDER TO HELP US DEVELOP A PLANNED SCHEDULE AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE.
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